

## About the Speaker

MICHAEL R. VALENTINE, Ph.D.



Dr. Valentine received his Doctorate from U.C.L.A. in Education with a specialization in Clinical Psychology and Psychopathology. He received his Masters degrees in Sociology and Counseling Psychology and his Bachelor degree in Sociology and Psychology from California State University at Long Beach.

Mike has served in a variety of positions as teacher, counselor, administrator and school psychologist at the elementary, junior high, continuation high school, high school and university levels. He has been in private practice. At the University level he was the Coordinator of the Adult Learning Disability Program and a Lecturer/Assistant Professor for the Educational Psychology Department at California State University at Long Beach.

Mike is a tested and experienced workshop leader. His presentations are fast moving, energetic, humorous, easy to follow, and have a lot of practical examples. He is the author of *How to Deal with Discipline Problems in the Schools: A Practical Guide for Educators* and *How to Deal with Difficult Discipline Problems: A Family-Systems Approach*. He is currently a national and international consultant on school discipline issues.

He has helped turn around many out of control inner-city schools. One of these schools went from being one of the worst schools in New York to a nationally recognized Blue Ribbon School Of Excellence.

Workshop Leader: Michael R. Valentine is a national and international lecturer, author, and consultant. For more than thirty years Dr. Valentine has worked in the education and psychological fields. He has served as a teacher, counselor, and school psychologist with various unified school districts in California, where he worked at elementary, junior-high, senior-high, and continuation-high school levels. At the university level he was the Coordinator of the Adult Learning Disability program and a lecturer-assistant professor at California State University, Long Beach.

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## Michigan Association of Teachers of Children with Emotional Impairments

*Presents:*

### How to Deal with Difficult Discipline Problems



**Monday, November 3, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

*Presented by:*

Genoa Woods Conference Center  
7707 Conference Center Drive  
Brighton, MI 48114

# Itinerary

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 - 11:30 a.m. ~ Session

(with a break from 10:00-10:15 a.m.)

11:30 - 12:30 p.m. ~ Lunch

12:30 - 3:15 p.m. ~ Session

(with a break from 2:00 - 2:15 p.m.)

**Content and Objectives:** This workshop will focus on giving teachers and school personnel and parents specific skills in stopping inappropriate behavior. This effective and easily applied approach is based on communication systems theory rather than behavior modification or any psycho-dynamically oriented approach. The basic premise of this model states that parents and teachers are very capable of getting their children/students to do what they want them to do. The workshop will discuss techniques that are easily understood and very successful when applied to families and teachers experiencing problems with their children/students.

### Participants Will:

- Learn how to analyze teacher and parental belief systems that become excuses for allowing the child to continue to act inappropriately;
- Learn how to analyze actual communication patterns that are either effective or ineffective in stopping inappropriate behavior;
- Learn how to use simple but very effective non-punishing back-up techniques to stop most inappropriate behavior immediately and help ensure student success;
- an overview of how this basic information is applied to home, school and community to solve difficult discipline problems.

The presentation is fast moving, energetic, humorous, easy to follow and has a lot of practical examples and actual case material.

## Directions

Genoa Woods Conference Center is located at:  
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**Cost includes continental breakfast, lunch and workbook.**

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